plus sign (+) inside this box

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Complete if Known Application Number 09/986,770 Filing Date November 9, 2001 Michael SCHMIDT et al. First Named Inventor 1772 1742 Group Art Unit Not Assigned T. Parsons **Examiner Name** 

(use as many sheets as necessary)

of Sheet

KUTZ-2 Attorney Docket Number

			U.S. PATENT DOCUM	MENTS		
	Cite No.1	U.S. Patent Document	ent Name of Patentee or Applicant	Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant	
Examiner Initials *		Number Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)	of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	
THP		4,505,997	Armand et al.	3-19-1985	429/192	
THP		5,273,840	Dominey	12-28-1993	429/192	
					RECEIVE	
					AUG 2.6.2002	
					TO 1700	
	<u> </u>					

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS									
Exami Initial		Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Office <sup>3</sup>		ment (ind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Name of Pater or Applicant Cited Docum	of	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sub>6</sub>
114	P		DE	19922522	A1	Merck Patent 6	mbH	11-16-2000		
1			DE	10027995	A1	1		21-13-2001		
			DE	19946066	A1			<b>3 2</b> -29-2001		
		,	DE	10014884	A1			9-27-2001		
			DE	10025761	A1			11-29-2001		
			DE	10025762	A1			11-29-2001	<del></del>	
			DE	19932317	A1			1-11-2001		
			DE	19951804	A1			5-3-2001		
			DE	19959722	A1			6-13-2001	<u> </u>	
			DE	10008955	A1			9-6-2001		
			DE	10016801	A1			10-11-2001		
			DE	10026565	A1			12-6-2001		
			DE	10016024	A1			10-4-2001		
<b>├</b> ──∜			DE	19953051	A1	V		4-5-2001		
114	P		DE	10042149	A1	Merck Patent 6	Hdm	5-17-2001		

Examiner Signature	Thomas H. Paisms	Date Considered	9/17/03

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

<sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. 2 See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark hee if English language Translation is attached.

STPE

lease type a plus sign (+) inside this box -> +

PTO/SB/08A (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

FEB 2 5 2003

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

Sheet

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

of 1

	Complete if Known	
Application Number	09/986,770	•
Filing Date	November 9, 2001	
First Named Inventor	Michael SCHMIDT et al.	
Group Art Unit	1772 1745	
Examiner Name	Not Assigned T. Parsons	
Attorney Docket Number	KUTZ-2	

				FOREIG	N PATENT DOCU	MENTS		
	0:4-	Foreign Patent Document			Name of Patentee	Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Office <sup>3</sup>	Number	ind Code <sup>5</sup> if known)	or Applicant of Cited Document	Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	Т6
THP		EP	1 174 941	A2	Matshshita Electric Industrial Co.,	01/23/2002		
[		EP	1 229 038	A1	Merck Patent GmbH	1 <del>2/27/2001</del> 8,	7/2002	
1		EP	1 127 888	A1	Merck Patent GmbH	<del>-2/9/2001</del> - 8/a	19/2001	
		DE	10027 626	A1	Merck Patent GmbH	6/7/2000		
THP		DE	19941 566	A1	Merck Patent GmbH	9/1/2001		

OTHER PRIOR ART NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>2</sup>				
THP		Chemistry of Nonaqueous Solutions, Alexander I. Popov. Current Progress, 1994 VCH Publishers, Inc.					
		Nonaqueous Electrochemistry; Doron Aurbach, Marcel Dekker, Inc., 3 pgs.					
		Handbook Of Batteries, David Linden, McGraw-Hill, Inc., 9 pg S.					
THP		E. Bernhardt, G. Henkel, H. Willner, Die Tetracyanoborate M[B(CN)4], M=[BU4N]*, Ag*, K*, Z. Anorg. Allg. Chem. 2000, 626, 560-580.					

 aminer nature	Thomas H. Parsons	Date Considered	9/17/03

<sup>\*</sup>EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

FECEIVEL C12000



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unique citation designation number. <sup>2</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.